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**Title:** Method of determining the helix angle of a helical formation for a conduit

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Dear Sir:

**AMENDMENT**